

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Luz Maria Soto et al.

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2007 for which a response was initially due January 30, 2008.

***Petition for Extension of Time:***

Applicant hereby petitions for a 1-month extension of time, extending the 3-month shortened statutory period for reply as set by the Examiner from January 30, 2008 to the date of filing of this response. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP's Deposit Account No. 03-3975, (order no. 010942-0304513), for the requisite one-month small-entity extension fee and any other fees due in connection with this submission.